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HOME (SPECIAL SECTION) DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 4th February 2006

S.R.O. No.20/2006— Whereas it has been reported to the State Government that there had been a police firing on 2.1.2006 at Kalinga Nagar, Jajpur district, leading to the death of 12 persons. One Police Havildar had also died otherwise.

2. And whereas the State Government are deeply concerned about the incident of firing and are of the opinion that, this being a matter of public importance, should be inquired into by a Commission of Inquiry under the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952.

3. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section-3 read with sub-section(1) of section-5 of the said Act, the State Government do hereby appoint a Commission of Inquiry consisting of Hon'ble Shri Justice A. Suryanarayan Naidu, a sitting Judge of Orissa High Court, to inquire into and report in respect of the following matters, within six months from the date of publication of this notification in the *Orissa Gazette*, namely: —

- (i) Analysis of the sequence of events and circumstances leading to the police firing at Kalinga Nagar on 2.1.2006.
- (ii) Whether the measures taken, the quantum of force used in anticipating, preventing and handling situations were adequate, inadequate or in excess of requirement and the responsibility for such acts of commission or omission.
- (iii) The role, conduct and responsibility of the organizations, group of individuals or persons, if any, in influencing, precipitating or escalating the incident; and
- (iv) Any other matter connected with or incidental thereto as the Commission may consider appropriate.

4. Further, the State Government are of the opinion that having regard to the nature of inquiry to be made and the other circumstances pertaining to the incident, it would be appropriate that the provisions of sub-section-(2), (3), (4) & (5) of section-5 of the said act should apply to the conduct of this inquiry by the Commission. Therefore, the State Government directs that the aforesaid provisions shall apply, accordingly.

5. The headquarters of the Commission shall be at Cuttack. However, the Commission may hold the inquiry in Kalinga Nagar or any other place also as may be considered necessary by them for the purpose.

[No. 632/C.]
By order of the Governor

SANTOSH KUMAR
Principal Secretary to Government